Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-3204

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Enhancing Access and Availability of Public Spaces at Long Beach Public Library in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Long Beach Public Library located at 111 West Park Ave, Long Beach, NY 11561. The funding would be used to renovate a community multipurpose space that will include room for studying, community meeting space, more accessible shelving, and spaces with the flexibility to provide in-person, hybrid, and virtual programs. This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the library's main branch is located in a Low- and Moderate-Income Census track which includes public housing for seniors and families, with many of these seniors regularly visit the library. This project will allow the library to expand services for low to moderate income patrons, including having more space for job search help, social service resources, and technology classes.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Anthony D'Esposito Member of Congress